



# **Franklin County Executive Committee Meeting**

**November 17, 2010**



# AGENCY UPDATE

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# 2010 Goals



- I. **Risk Assessment**
- II. **GIS** implementation in EOC
- III. Community **Outreach**/Citizen Preparedness Campaign
- IV. Update **Emergency Operations Plan**; communicate to jurisdictions
- V. Additional ways to communicate **warnings** to citizens & promote readiness
- VI. Continue enhancing outdoor warning **siren system**
- VII. Assess local jurisdiction readiness (**capabilities assessment**)
- VIII. Collaborate with local health districts to prepare & exercise **Cities Readiness Initiative**

# I. Risk Assessment



- 2010 Risk Assessment for Franklin County completed in May.
- First update since 1996.
- Solicited public comment June-July.
- Garnered prominent, positive news coverage in Dispatch, community news, local TV and Radio.
- Led to development of Franklin County Extreme Heat Plan in August.
- Brought significant attention from U.S. Department of Homeland Security → Selected for DHS Risk Management Pilot Program.

## II. GIS Implementation in EOC



- GIS department created June 2010.
  - Funded by FY09 UASI grant.
- Data being gathered to help create effective Common Operational Picture for EOC.
- Working with partner agencies such as MORPC (e.g., Central Ohio Users Group), Franklin County Auditor (e.g., Reciprocal Data Agreement), Delaware County GIS, Public Health, COTA, City of Columbus, Franklin County Engineer's Office, OGRIP.

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## II. GIS Implementation in EOC (cont'd)



- Assisted Columbus Public Health and Franklin County Board of Health on the Cities Readiness Initiative.
- Creating damage assessment maps for any scale disaster.
  - Working with Auditor's Office pictometry program for use in Damage Assessments.
- Keeping up-to-date outdoor warning siren database.

# III. Community Outreach and Citizen Preparedness



- **SPECIAL OUTREACH PROJECTS**
  - Meta-Leadership participation.
  - All-hazards readiness system (CAS).
  - Weather Spotter training.
  - Severe Spring Weather Week outreach, publicity.
  - CERT recruiting booths for PDA program.
  - Nursing home tornado safety training (pilot).
  - Preparedness training at Somali community centers.
  - Grant-funded project to promote CERT; recruit, train new members.

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### III. Community Outreach and Citizen Preparedness (cont'd)



- **WEB SITE & NEWSLETTER**
  - Web site, newsletter continue to be developed to offer current, quick-read, relevant preparedness information to citizens and emergency partners.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA**
  - FCEM&HS exploring new ways to communicate with community about preparedness (*e.g., Twitter*).
- **TRANSLATION/INTERPRETING SERVICES**
  - FCEM&HS exploring new methods to reach out to Limited English Proficient residents about preparedness.

## IV. Update EOP; communicate to jurisdictions



- Updated basic Emergency Operations Plan offered for promulgation by resolution today.
- State requirements for plan, annual review/revision in ORC 5502.26, OAC 4501.3-6.
- Comprehensive revision done from 2006 version.
  - 2006 version promulgated Feb. 2010 for Nat'l Plan Review submission.
  - Updated version vetted by Working Group Oct. 2010.
- Will distribute updated EOP Jan. 2011, along with Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) and Annexes.
  - ESFs and Annexes constantly reviewed, revised.

## V. Warnings to citizens and readiness promotion



- **Navy/Marine Corps MARS (Military Affiliate Radio System)**
  - Back-up to Agency's primary communications network that will operate in the event the primary network goes down.
  - MARS is a military communications system providing auxiliary communications to military, federal, civilian disaster officials during emergencies.
  - Useful when electric power, telephone, email and satellite systems fail.

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## V. Warnings to citizens and readiness promotion (cont'd)



- **TENS (Telephone Emergency Notification System)**
  - Agency negotiated 2011 prices with 21<sup>st</sup> Century Communications
  - Will develop a contract (resolution).
- **SOCIAL MEDIA**
  - FCEM&HS exploring new ways to communicate with citizens during emergencies (e.g., Twitter).
- **TRANSLATION/INTERPRETING SERVICES**
  - FCEM&HS exploring new strategies to reach out to numerous Limited English Proficient populations with safety information during emergencies.

## VI. Enhancing outdoor warning siren system



- **SIREN DATA/MAINTENANCE TREND TRACKING**
  - Continue to improve tracking and collection of siren data to improve outdoor warning program.
- **FRONT PANEL UPGRADES (FPU)**
  - FPU project will update and improve warning siren capability countywide.
  - Designed by Whelen Engineering to update out-of-production WPS 3000 siren to current production model WPS 4000 and its component parts.
  - Currently 18 jurisdictions with total of 33 sirens that need FPU.

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## VI. Outdoor warning siren system (cont'd)



- **NARROW-BAND CAPABILITY**

- In 2004, Federal Communications Commission issued non-funded mandate requiring all wide-band licensees to convert to narrow-band by January 2013.
- Narrow-band capable radios have been installed at all three siren radio activation sites.
- Backup narrow-band radio has been installed at FCEM&HS.
- Narrow-band testing plan is complete and ready for implementation.

## VII. Assess local jurisdiction readiness (*capability assessment*)



- In July, FCEM&HS hired contractor to develop Regional Training & Exercise Program.
  - Planning process includes assessing capabilities in the region.
  - Regional workgroup convened, representing stakeholders thru 10 response disciplines (e.g., fire, health, EMA, etc.)

## VII. Assess local jurisdiction readiness (*capability assessment*) (cont'd)



- FCEM&HS selected as participant in DHS Integrated Risk Management pilot program.
  - Capabilities assessment will ultimately be completed as part of this program, augmented by T&E planning process.
  - 4 established ways to address risk: accept, ignore, mitigate, defer.
  - Elected local leaders are integral to process
  - End-state: Integrated Risk Management
    - focus planning, training, exercises and grants based on capability gaps

## VIII. Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI)



- CRI is a federally funded program through CDC to prepare nation's largest 72 cities to respond to aerosolized anthrax attack.
- The planning conditions for this program require antibiotics be provided to entire population within first 48 hours after an attack is recognized.

## VIII. Cities Readiness Initiative (cont'd)



### Planning Partnership with FCEM&HS:

- FCEM&HS Staff worked with CRI Program Managers from Franklin County and Columbus Health Departments to develop plan to support newly required element of CDC Local Technical Assistance Review (LTAR).
- FCEM&HS GIS Coordinator produced routes to increase efficiency of distribution and transportation of SNS assets and local supplies required for medical countermeasure response.

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## VIII. Cities Readiness Initiative (cont'd)



### Planning Partnership with FCEM&HS (cont'd):

- FCEM&HS facilitated MOUs with distribution and transportation agencies to assist CRI program in this mission.
- Assisted Franklin County and City of Columbus Health Departments at annual CDC CRI Assessment held on 21 July 2010. Assessment score improved from **86%** to **89%** for GY2010.
- Agency continuing as planning partner by participating in upcoming transportation modeling webinar hosted by the CDC.



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# 2011 BUDGET UPDATE



- ExComm agreed to proportionate funding share increases of 6% in 2010 and another 6% in 2011.
  - Implemented 6% increase in 2010
  - **Will see 0% increase in 2011**

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# 2010 GRANTS



2007 SHSP Animal Rescue	\$ 14.8K	2010 EMPG	251.3K
2008 UASI Narrow-banding	133.5K	HMEP	32.9K
2008 SHSP Reg. 4 SAR	15.0K	CCC	6.6K
2009 EMPG Supplemental	161.4K	<u>UASI CERT</u>	<u>70.0K</u>
2009 SHSP	921.3K	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1.8M</b>
2009 UASI GIS	102.6K		
2009 SHSP Reg. 4 SAR	45.0K		
2010 Mitigation	58.6K		

**Total grant amount increased 33% from \$1.35M in 2009 to \$1.8M in 2010.**

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# 2011 MEETING SCHEDULE (Draft)



- Jan. 19, 2011 – Officer Elections & Budget Update
- March 16
- June 15 – FCEM&HS Budget Briefing
- September 21
- November 16 – Agency Goals & End of Year Briefing
- January 18, 2012 – Officer Elections & Budget Update

Note—to attune the 2011 schedule to the annual FCEM&HS budget process, a meeting in June will replace the usual May and July meetings.

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## 1. 2011 Meeting Schedule

## 2. Resolutions

- Telephone Emergency Notification System (TENS)
- Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Update

